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Draft report

Addendum

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III. PROGRAMME QUESTIONS

Proposed programme budget for the biennium 1992-1993

Section 3. Political and Security Council Affairs

1. At its 19th meeting, on 24 May, the Committee considered section 3 of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1992-1993.

Discussion

2. A number of delegations expressed their appreciation for the work of the Department of Political and Security Council Affairs in the servicing of the Security Council and its Committees.

3. A number of delegations expressed regret at the late issuance of official records and other documents for whose preparation of printing provision was made in section 3. Some delegations queried the value of issuing such documents at all if they were seriously delayed. A number of delegations also queried the proposed provisions for personal computers and it was stressed that proper control should be exercised over expenditures on such equipment.

4. Some delegations queried the periodicity of a number of the directories and other publications to be prepared under subprogramme 3 and felt that issuance of such material on an annual basis would be adequate. Other delegations doubted whether the provision for fellowships to allow participants from developing countries to attend seminars and training programmes on aspects of the peaceful uses of outer space was adequate and stressed the importance of these activities.

5. Delegations expressed different views on the venue of the Legal Subcommittee of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space. It had been proposed that its meetings should be held alternately at Headquarters and Geneva.

Conclusions and recommendations

6. The Committee also noted the priorities which had been proposed.

7. The Committee recommended approval by the General Assembly of the programme narrative of section 3 of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1992-1993.